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Planning Efforts in the Northwest Corridor

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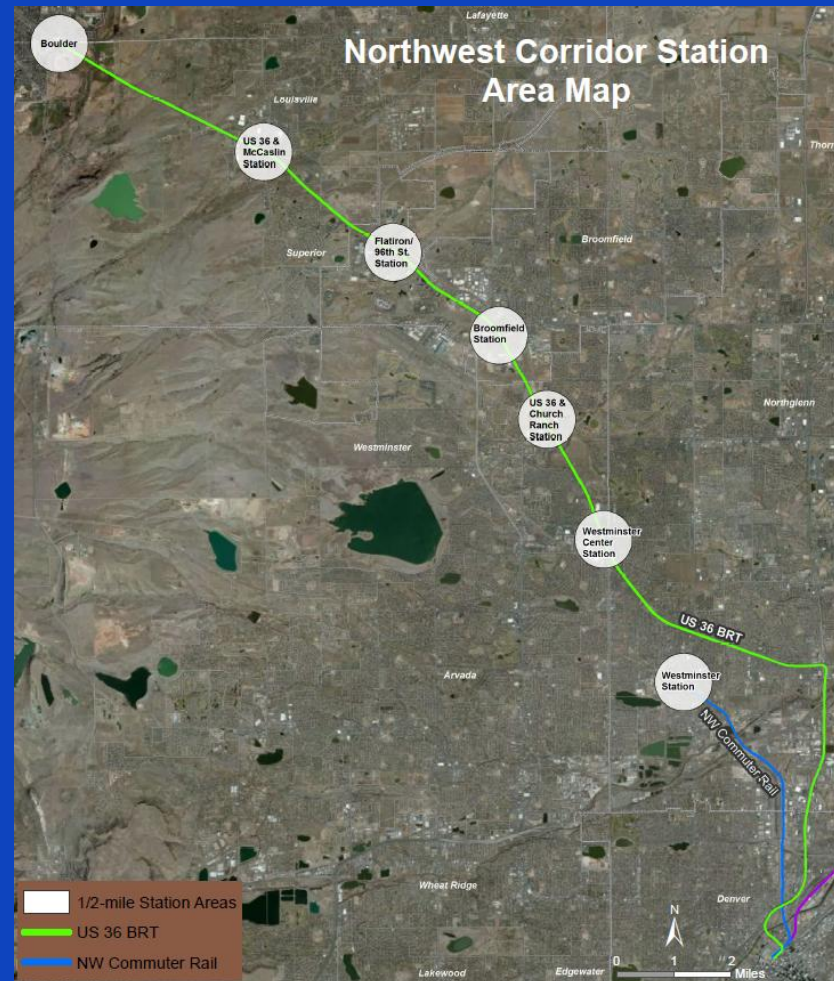
Northwest Corridor

◆ Northwest commuter rail station

- Westminster Station

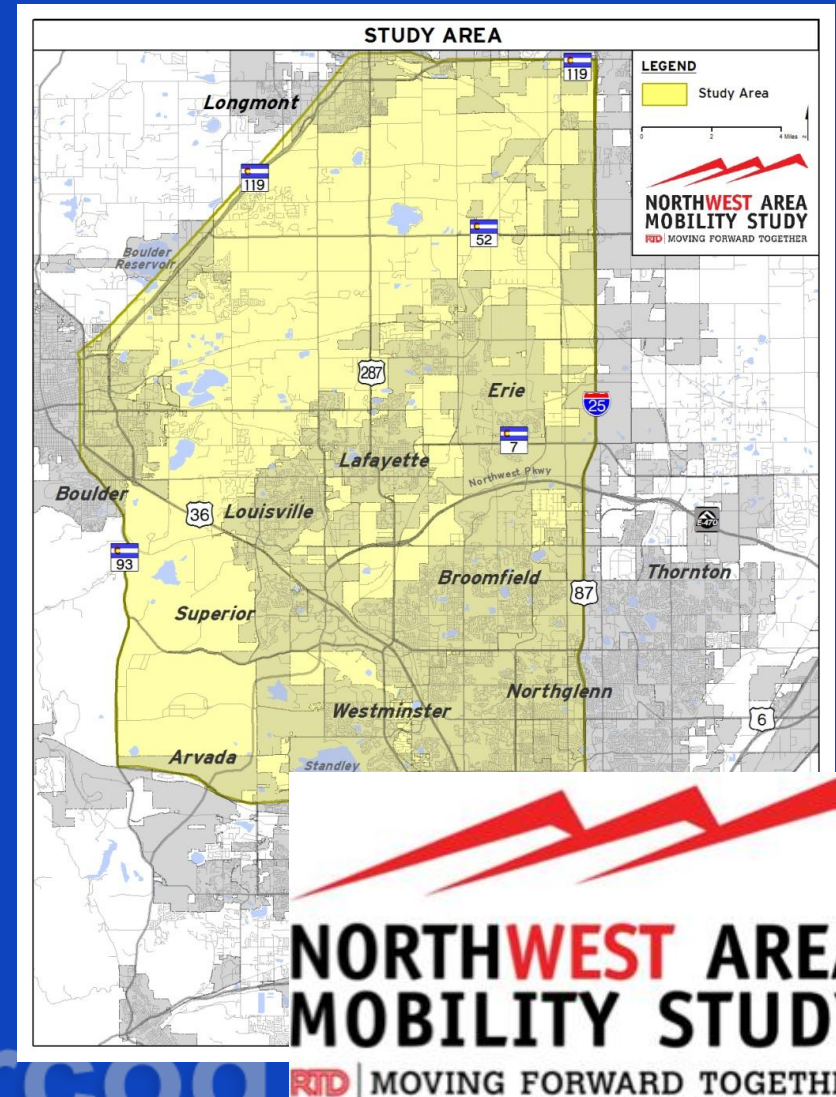
◆ US 36 BRT

- Westminster Center
- US 36 & Church Ranch
- Broomfield
- Flatiron/96th St.
- US 36 & McCaslin
- Table Mesa
- Boulder Junction



Northwest Area Mobility Study

- 13-month effort that will develop a prioritized list of mobility improvements
- Collaborate with corridor stakeholders to determine if there is a more cost-effective way to approach improving mobility in the area that could be implemented sooner.



US 36 First and Final Mile Study

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Commuting Solutions



- ◆ The study's priority was to increase the convenience of public transit and reduce Single Occupant Vehicle (SOV) travel.

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US 36 First and Final Mile Study

◆ This study identified suitable options to better connect RTD riders to the surrounding activity centers utilizing such transportation demand management tactics as

- ◆ Electric bikes
- ◆ Shuttle circulators
- ◆ Station cars
- ◆ Scooters
- ◆ Golf carts
- ◆ Bicycles



Station Areas

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Westminster Station (NW Rail)

Westminster Station TOD Area Specific Plan (in progress)

◆ Overview:

- ◆ The plan will cover future land use, infrastructure and redevelopment.
- ◆ This area is envisioned to transform into a mixed-use TOD.
- ◆ The station itself will be anchored by a 1.5-acre plaza on the north side.
- ◆ There will be a parking structure funded by the City of Westminster and RTD.

Westminster Station (NW Rail)

Goals:

- ◆ Opening day success
- ◆ Improved circulation & access
- ◆ Connected network of open spaces
- ◆ Vibrant mix of uses



Westminster Center Station (BRT)

Westminster Mall Redevelopment (2008)

◆ Overview:

- ◆ The City does not want this to be a typical mall redevelopment
- ◆ The City wants to create a “downtown” for the City that would be a new gathering space for residents
- ◆ Mixes uses, reuses existing anchor stores where appropriate, capitalizes on and encourages alternate modes of transportation, creates a strong pedestrian-friendly block layout

Westminster Center Station (BRT)

Goals:

- ◆ Facilitate a mixture of uses
- ◆ Create a new downtown
- ◆ Easy access to U.S. 36, rail and bus service



US 36 & Church Ranch (BRT)

- ◆ Overview:
 - ◆ This area is mostly built-out, but there are some opportunities.
 - ◆ The Promenade development is exploring mixed-use.

Broomfield Station (BRT)

Broomfield Original Neighborhood Plan (2008)

- ◆ Overview:
 - ◆ The plan provides details and urban form of development near the BRT station area.
 - ◆ The plan for the neighborhood envisions TOD with maximum densities of up to 50 dwelling units per acre.
 - ◆ A future rail station will also be located within Original Broomfield.

Broomfield Station (BRT)

Broomfield Urban Transit Village - Arista Land Use Plan (2005)

- Overview:
 - Arista is on the opposite side of U.S. 36 from Original Broomfield.
 - Arista offers a mix of housing types including apartments and paired homes within a few blocks of the BRT Station.
 - It is zoned for 2,250 housing units and 2.5M SF of retail and commercial uses.



Flatiron/96th Station (BRT)

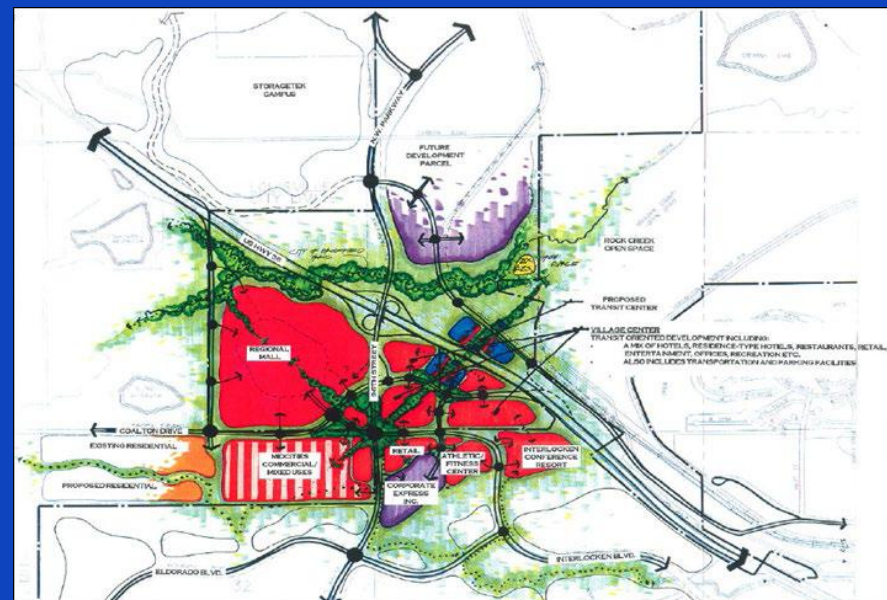
U.S. 36 Subarea Plan (1995)

- ◆ Overview:
 - ◆ Plan completed as a complement to Broomfield's 1995 Master Plan, with a more detailed focus on the land uses, key development patterns and important natural resources along the US 36 corridor.
 - ◆ The plan calls for establishing a “high-quality, mixed-use village center with transit-oriented development”
 - ◆ With higher density development beginning ten years ago, this area is a “sleeping giant”

Flatiron/96th Station (BRT)

Goals:

- ◆ Creating a quality “gateway image” conveying the values of the Broomfield community
- ◆ Establishing a balance of complementary land uses



U.S. 36 & McCaslin Station (BRT)

Superior Comprehensive Plan Update (2012)

◆ Overview:

- ◆ Plan recommends enhancing last mile connections to the McCaslin Park-n-Ride



Table Mesa Station (BRT)

Table Mesa Transit Improvement Project

- ◆ Overview:
 - ◆ The Table Mesa pedestrian bridge has been opened to the public and saves bus commuters an additional 2-3 minutes on the eastbound trip from Boulder to Denver. The bridge is an integral part of the U.S. 36 Bus Rapid Transit project.

Boulder Junction (BRT)

Boulder Transit Village Area Plan (2007, revised 2010)

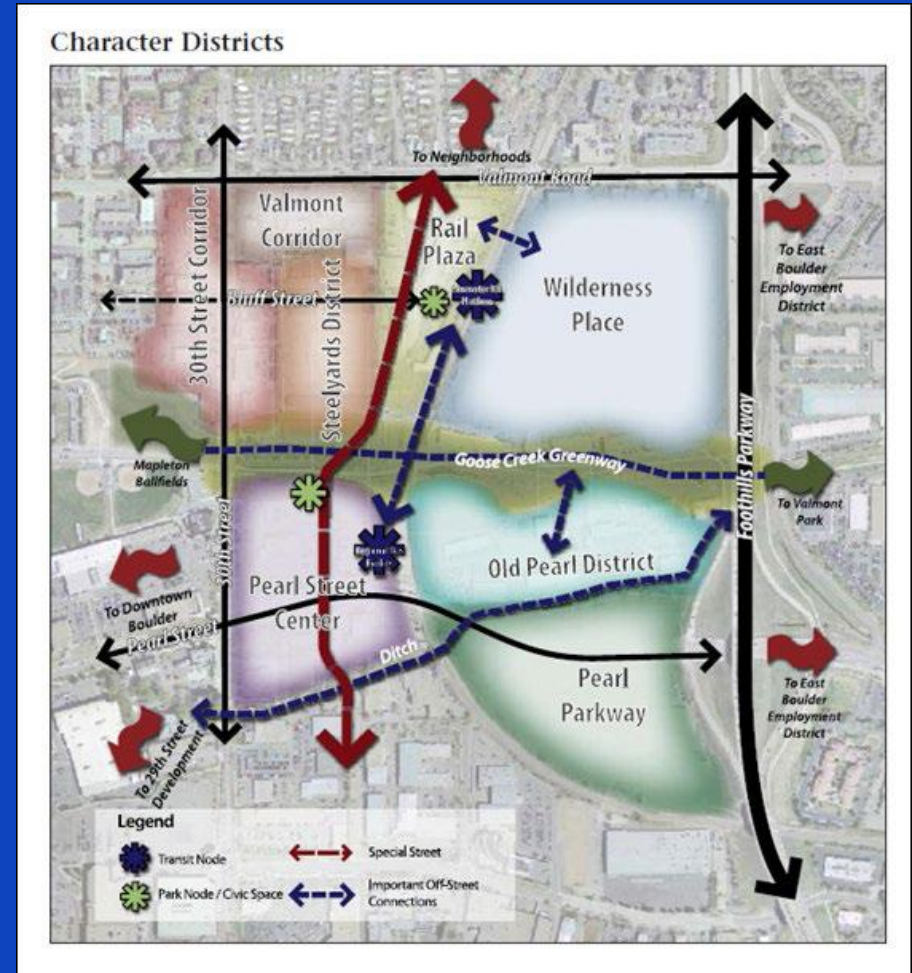
◆ Overview:

- ◆ This plan covers a 160-acre site adjacent to the Northwest Rail Line station in Boulder, known as Boulder Junction (previously referred to as Boulder Transit Village).
- ◆ The site is in the center of the community and close to 29th Street, a major shopping and entertainment destination.

Boulder Junction (BRT)

Goals:

- ◆ Create a well-used and well-loved, pedestrian-oriented place of enduring value that serves all of Boulder
- ◆ Support diversity through land use and travel options that expand opportunities for employees & residents of different incomes, ethnicities, ages and abilities



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